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For: VEHICLE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY BUMPER SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 2003

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Date: June 5, 2003

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 31, 2003, the period to respond being extended two months from April 30, 2003 to June 30, 2003 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0024] of the Specification as follows:

[0024] During the flat barrier testing, the two-part box was shown to meet the target performance. In order to meet the target performance for the angled barrier testing, an inner extension 8c is added. The inner extension 8c is disposed vertically between the upper 8a and lower 8b extensions. In the preferred embodiment, the inner extension 8c provides a second stage of crush strength. In particular, the inner extension 8c further limits the angled barrier intrusion without adding to the flat barrier peak floor that was created by the two-part angled box structure. Thereby, the vehicle

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